

ABSTRACT

5 Methods and compositions for the prevention and treatment of all forms of
atherosclerosis are described. Administration of compounds such as thalidomide, its
analog, hydrolysis products, metabolites, derivatives and precursors as well as additional
compounds capable of inhibiting tumor necrosis factor α (TNF- α) are used in the invention.

 Also disclosed is the coating of prosthetic devices, such as stents, with the
10 compounds of the invention for the prevention and/or treatment of restenosis.

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